

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



IN RE APPLICATION OF: **FRANK CHEN ET AL**
 SERIAL NO.: 09/956,887

FILED: September 21, 2001

FOR: ELECTRONIC DEVICE CAPABLE OF COUNTING
 DOWN TO AN INTEGRAL TIME POINT

GROUP ART UNIT: 2841

EXAMINER: J. Goodwin

ATTY. REFERENCE: CHEN3289/BEU

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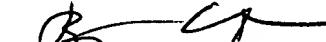
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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This paper is in response to the Official Action dated October 8, 2003.

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